NEW YORK TIMES, July 8, 1961: NGO BARS NEUTRALISM, OBSERVES 7 YEARS IN POWER WITH ANTI-COMMUNIST PLEA

SAIGON, Vietnam, July 7 (AP)— President Ngo Dinh Diem of South Vietnam today observed his seventh anniversary in power with a strong attack on neutralism.

"Can one remain neutral faced with this resolute and systematic destruction?" he asked. "One must be relentless in rejecting and combating the bellicose ~~XXX~~ Communist fanaticism, the enemy of the human race, instead of letting oneself become paralyzed by its insidious propaganda."